## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

IN RE: YASMIN AND YAZ

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This order applies only to plaintiff Heather Bishop.

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Ginger K. Lewis v. Bayer Corp., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12515-DRH-PMF
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 $<sup>^{2}\,</sup>$  This order applies only to plaintiff Victoria Denton.

Rebecca Massey v. Bayer Corp., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12416-DRH-PMF
Tamara Morris v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.	No. 3:10-cv-13690-DRH-PMF
Holly Newton v. Bayer Corp., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12926-DRH-PMF
Diana Olliges v. Bayer Corp., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12315-DRH-PMF
Kimberly Oslin, et al. v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12580-DRH-PMF <sup>3</sup>
Angela Pupello v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12200-DRH-PMF
Peter Rashke, as Administrator of the Estate of Susan J. Minha, Deceased v. Bayer Corp., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-11492-DRH-PMF
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Beatrice Santinga v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.	No. 3:11-cv-12087-DRH-PMF
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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 3}$  This order applies only to plaintiff Kimberly Oslin.

Larhonda Walker v. No. 3:11-cv-12141-DRH-PMF

Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.

Kristy Weilbrenner v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12654-DRH-PMF

Sharmon D. and Dwayne Young v. No. 3:11-cv-12126-DRH-PMF

Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.

## ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE (Failure to Comply with PFS Obligations)

This matter is before the Court on the Bayer defendants' motion, pursuant to Case Management Order 12 ("CMO 12")<sup>4</sup> for an Order dismissing plaintiffs' claims in the above-captioned matters without prejudice for failure to comply with their Plaintiff Fact Sheet ("PFS") obligations.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>4</sup> **Error! Main Document Only.**The Parties negotiated and agreed to CMO 12, which expressly provides that the discovery required of plaintiffs is not objectionable. CMO 12 § A(2).

Bayer's motion to dismiss also sought dismissal of the following member actions: (1) Janie M. Brandon and Jamall Heard v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11cv-12656-DRH-PMF; (2) Ginger A. and John Casebeer v. Bayer Corp., et al No. 3:11-cv-12419-DRH-PMF; (3) Katie Chor, et. al. v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al No. 3:11-cv-12891-DRH-PMF (as to plaintiff April Christmas only); (4) Jessica Marie Dively v. Bayer Pharmaceuticals Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12644-DRH-PMF; (5) Jennifer Kelley v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11cv-12264-DRH-PMF; (6) Whitney Wells Kester v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12412-DRH-PMF; (7) Kristin Marie Kightlinger v. Bayer Pharmaceuticals Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12289-DRH-PMF; (8) Lindsey A. King v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12653-DRH-PMF; (9)Michelle Reid υ. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12581-DRH-PMF; (10) Thelma Schwarz v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:10-cv-13694-DRH-PMF; (11) Andrea L. Shepherd v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12427-DRH-PMF; (12) Holly A. Smith v. Bayer Corp., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12411-DRH-PMF; (13) Barbara Willimann-Colley, et al. v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12543-DRH-PMF (as to plaintiff Esmeralda Hernandez-Juni only). The subject plaintiffs in these actions subsequently complied with their PFS obligations and/or Bayer withdrew its motions to dismiss. Accordingly, as to these member actions the motion to dismiss is moot. Bayer's motion also sought dismissal of the following member actions: (1) Laura Monarrez v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12528-DRH-PMF and (2) Holly M. Tackett v. Bayer HealthCare

Under Section C of CMO 12, each plaintiff is required to serve Defendants with a completed PFS, including a signed Declaration, executed record release Authorizations, and copies of all documents subject to the requests for production contained in the PFS which are in the possession of plaintiff. Section B of CMO 12 further provides that a completed PFS is due "45 days from the date of service of the first answer to her Complaint or the docketing of her case in this MDL, or 45 days from the date of this Order, whichever is later."

Accordingly, the plaintiffs in the above-captioned matters were to have served completed PFS materials on or before February 27, 2012 (*See e.g.*, *Adams* Doc. 6-1). <sup>6</sup> Per Section E of CMO 12, Notice of Overdue Discovery was sent on or before March 26, 2012. (*See e.g.*, *Adams* Doc. 6-2). <sup>7</sup> As of the filing of this motion, Bayer reports that it still had not received completed PFS materials from the Plaintiffs in the above-captioned matters. <sup>8</sup> As of today's date, the plaintiffs in

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*Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al.* No. 3:11-cv-12761-DRH-PMF. The parties, however, subsequently filed a stipulation of dismissal in these member actions. Accordingly, pursuant to the stipulations of dismissal, the motions to dismiss are now moot.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Identical motions were filed in each of the above captioned cases. For ease of reference the Court refers to the motion and exhibits filed in *Adams v. Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals*, *Inc.*, *et al.* No. 3:11-cv-12309-DRH-PMF (Docs 6, 6-1, & 6-2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> A similar case specific notice of over-due discovery was sent to each of the subject plaintiffs and is attached as an exhibit to Bayer's motion to dismiss in each of the above captioned member actions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Bayer states that it received some medical records for plaintiff Jennifer Kelley (Case No. 3:11-cv-12264) on March 23, 2012, but reports that it has not received her PFS or other required disclosures. Likewise, Bayer reports that it received some medical record for plaintiff Holly Newton (Case No. 3:11-cv-12926) on March 7, 2012, but it has not received her PFS or other required disclosures.

the above captioned matters are more than three months late in completing their PFS requirements.

Under Section E of CMO 12, plaintiffs were given 14 days from the date of Bayer's motion, in this case 14 days from April 25, 2012, to file a response either certifying that they served upon defendants and defendants received a completed PFS, and attaching appropriate documentation of receipt or an opposition to defendant's motion.

To date, none of the plaintiffs in the above captioned member actions has filed a response. Because the plaintiffs have failed to respond to Bayer's allegations, the Court finds that these plaintiffs have failed to comply with their PFS obligations under CMO 12. Accordingly, the claims of the above captioned plaintiffs are hereby dismissed without prejudice.

The Court reminds plaintiffs that, pursuant to CMO 12 Section E, unless plaintiffs serve defendants with a COMPLETED PFS or move to vacate the dismissal without prejudice within 60 days after entry of this Order, the

Presponses to Bayer's motion to dismiss were due 14 days from April 25, 2012 regardless of any response date automatically generated by CM/ECF. The Court has previously noted in orders in this MDL and during a status conference in this MDL that when deadlines provided by CM/ECF conflict with orders of this Court, the Court ordered deadline will always control. See United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, Electronic Filing Rules, Rule 3 (The "filer is responsible for calculating the response time under the federal and/or local rules. The date generated by CM/ECF is a guideline only, and, if the Court has ordered the response to be filed on a date certain, the Court's order governs the response deadline."). The deadlines provided by CM/ECF are generated automatically based on the generic responsive pleading times allowed under the rules and do not consider special circumstances (such as court orders specific to a particular case or issue).

Order will be converted to a <u>Dismissal With Prejudice</u> upon defendants'

motion.

In accordance with this order of dismissal without prejudice, the Court

instructs the Clerk of the Court to terminate the claims of the following plaintiffs:

In member action Heather Bishop, et al. v. Bayer HealthCare

Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al No. 3:11-cv-10942-DRH-PMF

• The claims of plaintiff **Heather Bishop** are dismissed without prejudice

and subject to termination.

In member action Charlie Sue Goshay, et al. v. Bayer HealthCare

Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al No. 3:11-cv-12563-DRH-PMF

• The claims of plaintiff Victoria Denton are dismissed without prejudice

and subject to termination.

In member action Kimberly Oslin, et al. v. Bayer HealthCare

Pharmaceuticals, Inc., et al. No. 3:11-cv-12580-DRH-PMF

• The claims of plaintiff **Kimberly Oslin** are dismissed without prejudice and

subject to termination.

Further, in accordance with this order of dismissal without prejudice, the

Date: June 5, 2012

Court instructs the Clerk of the Court to close the remaining member actions.

SO ORDERED

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Chief Judge

**United States District Court** 

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